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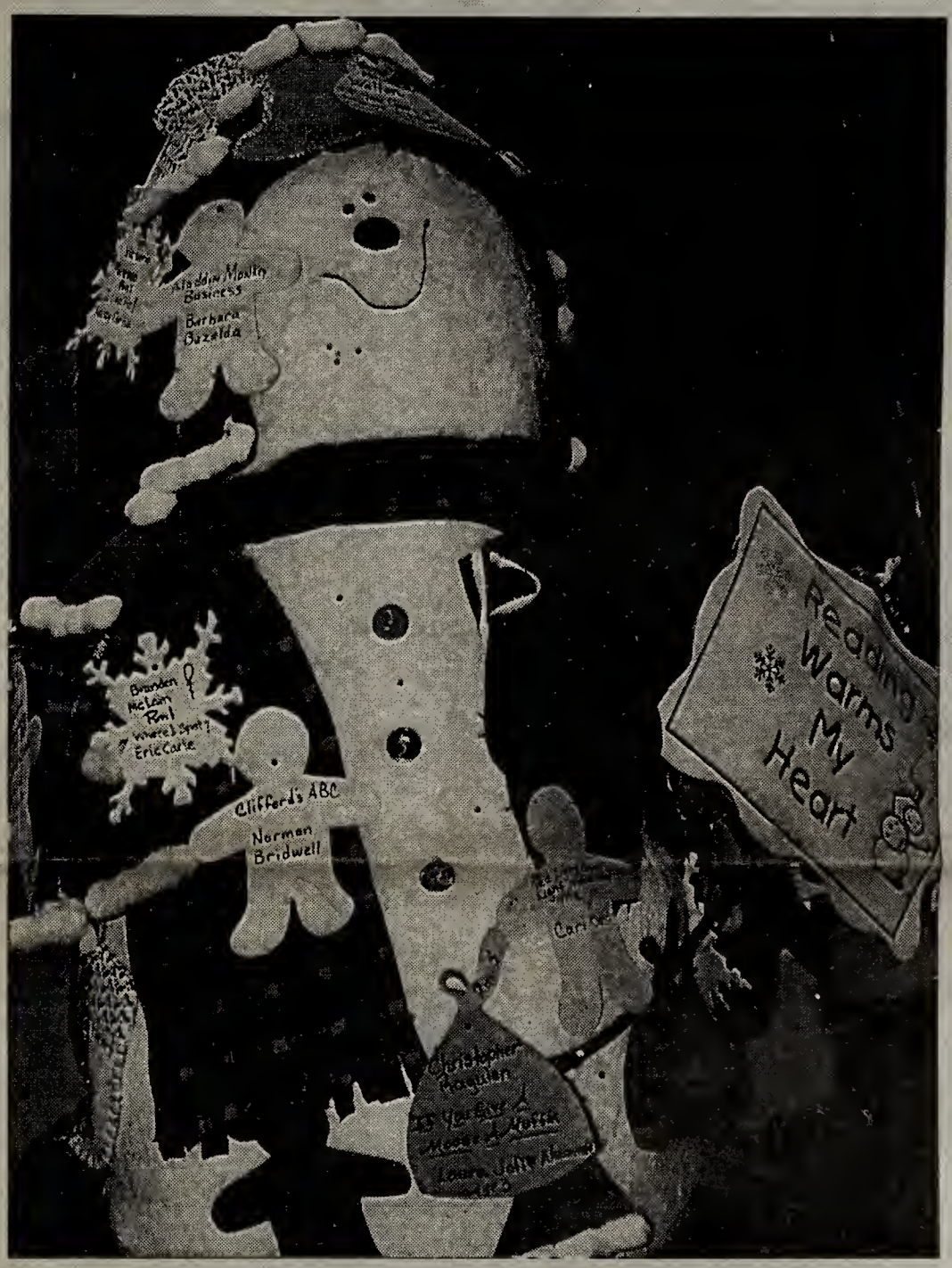

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Book drive benefits Hammond youth

KIM KINTZ
News Editor

If you are wondering what you could do for your community this holiday season, give the gift of reading. The Administrative and Professional Staff Advisory Committee (APSAC) is sponsoring a book drive benefiting the youngsters from the Woodland Child Development Center in Hammond.

The book drive began Nov. 16 and will run through Dec. 14. A "Fable the Snowman" display in the Information Center on the first floor of the SFLC building is holding gift tags with the children's names, ages, and favorite tale. After selecting a name from the display, buy the book named on your tag, wrap it, and take it back to the Information Center with the gift tag taped to the front. The Calumet Campus bookstore is offering a 20 percent discount towards a book purchased for the children of the Woodland Child

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Crime rises on campus

KIM KINTZ
News Editor

Since mid-September, crime on campus has risen dramatically, from virtually no personal belonging thefts to 11 wallets/purse stolen from various buildings.

Many of the belongings were taken from offices on campus, restrooms, and classrooms. Recently Chief Stephen Chaddock of the university police department announced through campus email that students should be aware of these thefts and take precautions.

Indiana University Northwest has also experienced similar incidences during the same time period. PUC police department has been in touch with IUN to determine if these crimes are coincidental or related in some way. According to Wes Lukoshus, director of university relations, *"This similar problem strongly* suggests that there are people out there looking for quick cash." The two campuses are both easily accessible to the general public. Many people can enter our buildings and blend in without much suspect said Lukoshus.

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Meeting unites student activities with new director

AMARACHI IGBOEGWU
Features Editor

Students involved with extra-curricular activities had a chance to meet the new Director of Student Activities, Michelle Verduzco Nov. 16 at an introductory meeting.

Los Latinos, Song Co., Student Government, Black Student Union, Sigma Phi Alpha, The Chronicle, Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, SHPE, National Society of Black Engineers and PUCCO were represented.

The meeting's goal was to introduce herself to the body of student activities and allow them to meet one another. Verduzco said, most importantly, she wanted to explain her goals for the various clubs on campus.

One of those goals is to bridge the gap between students involved in the extra-curricular circle on campus. Verduzco says she sees no reason why people going PUC can not enjoy the various activities available to students. "I would like to see PUC students having a very active campus life."

Verduzco is looking forward to starting a comprehensive student leadership program and also conducting an on going training for student's organization. It is her plan to launch an off campus student volunteer program for students. She also hopes to make more telephone lines available in offices of the clubs and also upgrade computers for students involved and also incorporate the use of website for easier comunication.

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The Chronicle will not publish for the week of Nov. 30 due to the holiday break, the next issue will be Dec. 7

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Responding to recent campus thefts

Our campus has experienced a rash of thefts during the past two months involving purses and wallets.

More specifically, 11 wallets and/or purses of students and staff members have been reported missing since Sept. 18.

In each case, the theft is reported to have occurred after the missing item had been left unattended in an office, classroom or lounge.

Not just at our campus

It is interesting to note—yet also unfortunate—that ours is not the only local campus experiencing this problem. Similar thefts have been reported at Indiana University Northwest in Gary.

This suggests that perhaps two or more individuals are working together, targeting local campuses for theft opportunities.

We have urged before the importance of being cautious and alert while on campus. We would also add the need to be diligent about locking our offices and securing personal belongings while keeping them in sight.

TAKE IT WITH YOU!

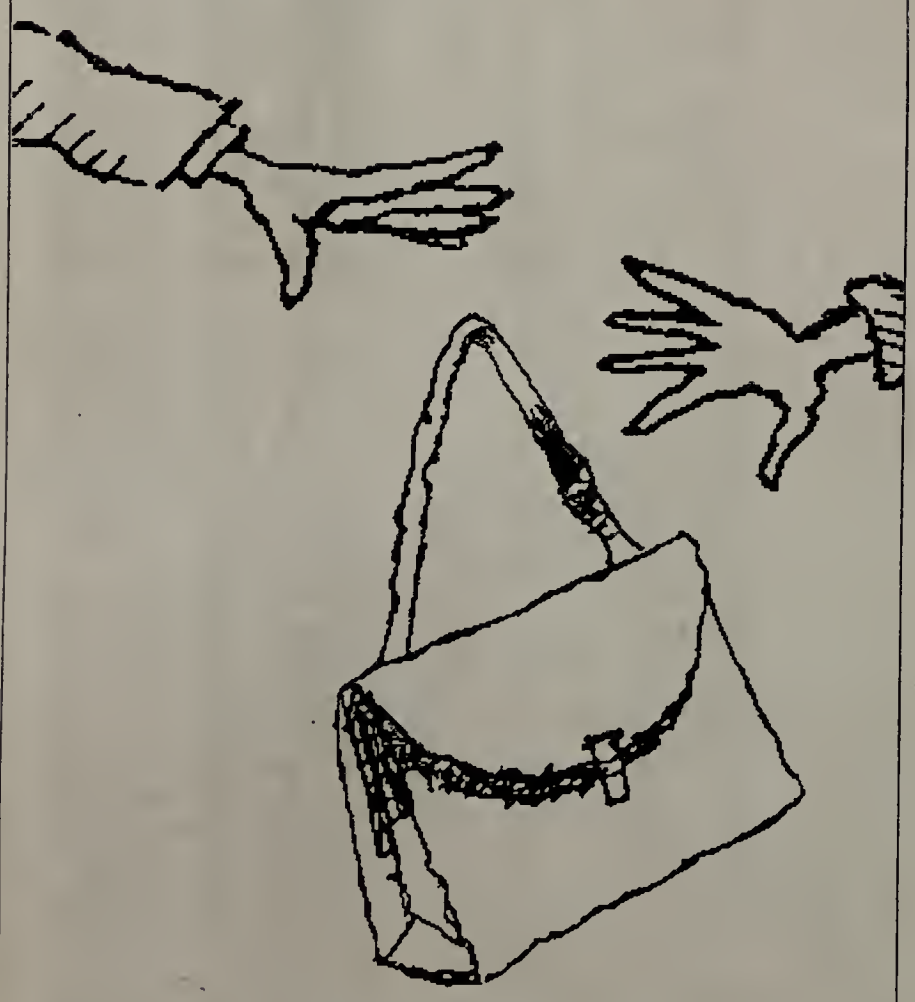
Students, please do not leave your bookbags, purses and other valued personal items in unattended classrooms, labs, lounges and other areas of campus that might be accessible to other people.

Our best advice: TAKE IT WITH YOU, if at all possible.

University Police is investigating these reported thefts, and in so doing, we request your help. Please report—IMMEDIATELY!—anyone you notice acting suspiciously on campus. Report your suspicions to University Police *at ext. 2911, using any of the indoor or outdoor campus* phones.

Any details you can provide, including description of the person or persons you have observed, can be extremely helpful.

All of us working together, while exercising caution and diligence in our habits and behavior is what is necessary to help thwart campus thefts.



At a glance

around campus

Sorority hosts Thanksgiving party

Kappa Alpha Psi will host Thanksgiving parties Wednesday, Nov. 25, and Thursday, Nov. 26, starting at 10 p.m. at Crystal Palace, 3715 Main St., East Chicago. 21 or over or college ID required. DJ Victor "V" will spin. No casual dress.

PEFCU announces holiday office hours

PEFCU Calumet Branch will be closed during the following university holidays: Thursday, Nov. 26 and Friday Nov. 27, Thanksgiving Holiday and Thursday, Dec. 24 and Friday, Dec. 25, Christmas Holiday. Regular hours are Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

RHIT 492 offers Festive Dinner

Reserve space for a special dinner featuring festive cuisine to be served on Wednesday, Dec. 9, at 6 p.m. in the SFLC Region Room. Price of the dinner is $13.50 per person.

Call Diana Raceina at 989-2319 Friday, Nov. 27, between 8 and 9 a.m. to make reservations. No groups larger than 12.

Iraq discussion

The current U.S./Iraq conflict will be discussed Monday, Nov. 30, and Tuesday, Dec. 1, from noon to 2 p.m. in SFLC-100 (the Student Lounge). Open discussion will follow three short panel presentations. Guests from the community are also invited.

Ethnic Studies presents "Diversity In American Higher *Education*"

PUC students Cynthia Lyles and Adrienne Viramontes will share information from the 11th Annual National Conference on Race & Ethnicity in American Higher Education (NCORE). The presentation will include valuable information regarding the state of diversity on American college campuses as well as taking the audience through some of the diversity exercises that were presented at the conference. The presentation will take place Wednesday, Dec. 2, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in SFLC-321. Refreshments will be served.

Cancer seminar for PUC men

Kenneth Stavitzke, R.N., C., will speak on testicular cancer Wednesday, Dec. 2, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in PER-129. Free refreshments. One South Lake Mall gift certificate will be awarded. For further information call 989-2175.

Free movies showing in CLO-112

The Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures announce an International Film Series. All films will be shown in their original language version with English subtitles in CLO-112. All are welcome. There presentations are free.

A faculty member will briefly introduce each film, and discussion will follow for those interested. For further information, call the International Media Center Lab at 989-2331.

Thursday, Dec. 3, at 3:30 p.m. "los Olvidados" (Mexico, 1950, 88 min.)

Wednesday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m. "My Other Husband" (France, 1985, 110 min.)

Student Government will host holiday concert

Student Government will host a holiday concert Sunday, Dec. 6 at 5 p.m. in the Alumni Hall. The profits of this concert will be used for the relief of individuals affected by the hurricane. The cost of attendence is $5. Student cost is $3. We are asking that those who attend also bring a food product for donation. Contact Bruce Kimbrell or Brandi Cueller at 989-2394 for ticket information.

APSAC sponsors book drive

The Administrative and Professional Staff Advisory Committee is sponsoring a book drive to benefit Woodland Child Development Center.

A "Snowman" display at the first floor Information Center in SFLC contains name tags each of which lists a child's name, age and favorite book. Contributors select one or more name tags from the display and then purchase the book(s) identified on the tag(s). They should then wrap the book(s), affix the name tag(s) and take the wrapped book(s) to the Information Center on the first floor of SFLC. Last day for collection of books is Monday, December 14. Books may be purchased from the campus bookstore, which has these books in stock at a 20 percent discount. For more information, contact Kim Trajkovski at 989-2729 or Bruce Derylo at 989-2769.

Quote of the week

'No bird soars too high,
if he soars with his own wings.'

-William Blake
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Give'em the boot

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Students with three or more outstanding parking tickets risk a boot being placed on their vehicle. The boot will not be removed until parking tickets have been paid plus a $25 boot fine.

Soaring enrollment leaves schools scrambling for space

COLLEGE PRESS EXCHANGE

Soaring freshmen enrollment has left colleges and universities across the nation scrambling to build more student housing and to find more classroom space.

An increase in the number of high school graduates has caused the crunch. More than 2.7 million students are projected to graduate this year, up more than 15 percent since 1996, the last year for which data are available, according to the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, a consortium of 15 states.

Another contributing factor many schools are reporting is a sudden rise in "yield" - the proportion of admitted students who decide to enroll. Texas A&M University, for example, extended roughly the same number of invitations for the last two academic years. This fall, 7,354 students accepted the school's offer - 18 percent more than did last year.

Among schools reporting surges in first-year enrollment:

Ohio State University in Columbus with a first-year class increase of 4 percent to 6,092.

Colorado State University with a freshman increase of 15 percent to 3,056.

Wartburg College, a private school with first-year enrollment jumping 6 percent to 406 students.

Meeting

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Lorrell Kilpatrick a PUC junior who attended the meeting said, "I think that comments like bridging the gap between students is a universal feeling among every involved person at PUC, but as far as specific questions I had, the answers were pretty vague. She gave a lot of hope for the future and I pray all of her ideas are taken seriously by the administration so SGA, Greek organizations and other student organizations alike can run smoother."

Although not in attendance, The Chronicle's Managing Editor, Lauren Mathews said, "I've worked with Michelle many times through my position. She always delivers what she promises. I'm very happy that she has taken on this position and have full faith that she will help every organization that shows the need."

Michelle Verduzco

Verduzco plans to hold a similar meeting monthly. For further information on how your club can benefit from student activities call 989-2369.

Book

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Development Center. The bookstore has received copies of the children's favorite books for this event. In order to receive your discount, you must show your gift tag at the time of the purchase.

This is the APSAC's second book drive. They sponsored a charity book drive last year and its success promoted this year's event, according to Kim Trajkovski, of Student Support Services. She said, "We are an educational institution so we want to promote education, how better to do that than through a reading program."

The ASPAC chose the Woodland Child Development Center at random. Trajkovski said, "Its important to start reading at an early age, that's why we chose a pre-school." The center is sponsored by the Lake Area United Way and is a year round facility for childcare. It serves more than 160 children ranging in ages from two to six years from Hammond and nearby communities. Woodland offers services without regard to gender, race, color, handicap, or religion.

If you have any questions concerning the book drive or if you are unable to pick up a gift tag from the Information Center call Kim Trajkovski at 989-2729, or Bruce Derylo at 989-2769 and they will send you a name via campus mail.

Nicole Wernes contributed to this story.

POLICE LINE - DO NOT CROSS

PUC police beat 11/9/98 - 11/15/98

Monday, Nov. 9, 10:30 a.m. Staff member reported the theft of an over head projection unit from CLO-317. The incident occurred over the previous weekend.

Monday, Nov. 9, 5:00 p.m. False fire alarm at the CLO building on Nov. 5, at 4:58 a.m.. HFD responded and discovered the alarm was activated because of a steam leak. Report filed late.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 7:17 a.m. A bomb threat was called in by a male caller to the university police office effecting the Gyte and Gyte annex. Buildings were evacuated and searched with negative results.

Tuesday, Nov. 10, 8:30 p.m. Student reported being harassed by another student during and after class in the Gyte building. The suspect gave notes containing racially inflammatory statements about Carol Mosely-Braun to the victim. Case referred to the dean of students.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1:35 p.m. Student reported being injured during a pick up basketball game in the PER building. Student collided with the head of another player causing a small laceration to the left eyebrow.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2:30 p.m. Student intern reported receiving an obscene telephone call at the university police office.

Thursday, Nov. 12, 11:25 a.m. Student worker reported receiving an obscene telephone call at the university police office.

Thursday, Nov. 12, 7:50 p.m. Student reported an unusual sensation in her left ear after exposure to extremely hot steam while working in the SFLC kitchen.

Thursday, Nov. 12, 8 p.m. Student reported feeling sick during a class in Gyte-107 and vomited in the hallway. HFD ambulance was called to the scene and transported victim to community hospital.

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Books, not media, needed to help educate children

Books are a vital tool for youngsters. In this day and age, where most children would rather sit in front of a television or play video games all day, we need another medium to reach and educate children. Not that television is entirely useless, but how many children are more familiar with the "Teletubbies" than Aesop's fable "The Tortoise and the Hare." Media is everywhere and it works hard to embed certain concepts in our minds.

Children are easily influenced as they grow and learn, and every advertisement, radio song, or movie they see becomes a part of the mix in the mind. These experiences contribute to whether children will become responsible adults or fanatasy warriors. If kids are given a nintendo and told " go play somewhere else", that machine becomes their best friend. It will always be there for them and they can escape from a bad day at school or problems at home into an exciting fantasy world with the touch of a button

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Children's vocabulary is not expanded by battling zombies. Reading a book can allow the same escape that video games can, while educating a child — more so than a laser weapon that makes lots of fancy noises..

Purdue Calumet's Administrative and Professional Staff Advisory Committee (APSAC) also feels that children need books.

'Fable the Snowman' is located at the information center, and has tags with a child's name and the title of a book that they want. The books that are purchased will go to needy kids at the Woodland Center. People grab a name and buy a book and kids get a present that will make their Christmas a little brighter- with no sound effects. The bookstore has also joined in, and now has many of these books and offers a discount to people who buy them.

This combination makes it convenient and economical to give a nifty present to a child who might not have the opportunities that some of us have. A book is a powerful gift. It is one that can be re-used forever by anyone and you never have to buy batteries. It never becomes obsolete, it never goes out of style, it will not die or run away, it does not break easily, and it is affordable. There is a book for every age, reading level, and interest and it is unlikely that you would have to deliver an elbow smash to another shopper to secure your purchase.

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Studying isn't always the way to get ahead

COLLEGE PRESS EXCHANGE

Do you get an average of three hours of sleep on weeknights? Do you often find yourself studying at social events? Can you remember the last time you went to a party or major social event?

If you answered yes to any of the previous questions and you may be suffering from a syndrome known as over-studying

There are too many people who are overly concerned with their grade-point averages. Before they even attempt to learn what they are studying, they calculate exactly what score they need to get on a prelim exam so they can end up with an `A' in the class.

Most students can't survive long periods of time pretending they're not human. The self-sacrificing student is just one example of the grade-obsessed. . .

These are the people who may graduate without learning one concrete thing since they devoted all of their time to worrying about their grades. And sometimes all of these worrywarts have to ask themselves one practical question: Whom am I trying to impress?

If they are thinking of applying to some kind of graduate program, maybe their anxiety is justified, but for the others, you have to wonder what their problem is.

Don't get me wrong. I'm not advocating low GPAs and poor study habits. It's just that when students start regularly neglecting important necessities like sleep, or when they start depending on beverages to get them through their classes every day, there's a serious need for priority assessment. Most students can't survive long periods of time pretending they're not human.

The self-sacrificing student is just one example of the grade-obsessed; worse yet are those who base their self-worth on their grades.

This type of person ranks health as less important than parents' approval.

Constant stress and desperation, all for the sake of getting an 'A,' forces certain members of this group to make such serious and final decisions as suicide.

I'll never forget asking my high-school history teacher for a pass so that I could attend an information session about Cornell University. As soon as she heard my request, she said, "You want to go to the school with the highest suicide rating?" I was shocked. Why mention such a thing in such a way?

Before then, I had never realized that there was a suicide rate ranking for American colleges.

Sadly, there are many students who define themselves by their GPAs.

The People speak

Question of the Week: Do you think that PUC should continue to expand its off-campus learning centers?

by Amarachi Igboegwu
Features Editor

Lauren Mathews
junior, Professional Writing

"Yes! We should expand into Porter County. We should also have larger off-campus sites that offer a larger selection of classes than what is offered off-campus currently."

Alberto Hernandez
sophomore, International Studies

"Yes, it is a good idea because it would give us and the community more options to develop knowledge."

La keshia Comer
junior, Psychology

"I think PUC should continue to expand its off campus sites because it makes it more convinent for students who do not live close to the main campus. Students have the option to take classes when it is closer to them."

Anthony Mercer-Bay
freshman, Political Science

"I think PUC should expand more. It makes PUC more of an out reach college and brings more diversity to the school."

Matt Popiela
sophomore, Computer Information Systems

"I think what we have right now is good enough. Keeping things located at the same place cuts down on driving to different places."

Colleges see rise in classical majors

| COLLEGE PRESS EXCHANGE

The so-called "dead languages" are enjoying a renaissance these days as many colleges across the country report a rise in the number of students who are choosing to major in the classics.

While their classmates pore over computer languages and business theory with big bucks swirling in their heads, classics majors are content to focus on Latin and Greek - language skills that aren't exactly the most coveted lines to add to a resume these days. Still, classics majors say that these languages allow for a much deeper understanding of archaeology, art, history, literature, religion and philosophy.

"The classics incorporate a large number of disciplines into one field," said 20-year-old Jason Crawford, a junior classics major at The College of Wooster in Wooster, Ohio. "You learn a little bit about everything."

Crawford headed to Wooster on a mathematics scholarship, but quickly found number crunching to be tedious and mundane. While trying to find a new course of study, he remembered his interest in Latin and enrolled in a few courses in the classics. He's now working as a teaching apprentice and assistant in the classics department with hopes of one day teaching at the college level.

"I think the classics are worth passing on now more than ever," he said.

The College of Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass., is considered one of the country's leading institutions in the field and has the nation's largest department strictly for undergraduates. The department boasts of more than 50 majors in a student body of 2,700, a marked increase over recent years.

There are several reasons for students' renewed interest, said Thomas Martin, a professor of classics at Holy Cross.

"There is a familiarity yet strangeness about these ancient cultures," he said. "They are familiar because they are the ancestor of our western culture, but they are strange because they are so distantly removed."

That intriguing combination can demand some pretty heady analysis of students. Understanding how the works of Socrates may have laid the groundwork for the First Amendment or how Roman architecture may have affected the design of some of today's skyscrapers can be downright difficult, many professors say.

Graduating with a degree in classics leaves many students self-confident and content, Martin said.

"I think students feel accomplished when they've risen to the challenge," he said.

Ironically, it's the explosion of information technology in the 1990s that can be credited for much of the new interest in studies of yesteryear, Martin said. With computers, students can see ancient texts, translations and maps in ways that are far more energized and exciting than the old method of sorting through dusty tomes hidden in dark corners of libraries. Martin is one of the founders of the Perseus Project, a digital library of resources for studying the ancient world. The project's CD-ROM is included in many college curriculums and includes philological tools and art catalogs.

With its new emphasis on technology, classics departments are attracting younger instructors who often infuse into classes a hip and refreshing vibe many students find appealing.

Crime

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Besides the similar incidences at IUN, the fact that two of the purses stolen on Nov. 6 from staff offices were found in a garbage can on W. 63rd street in Chicago, Ill. further implies that the suspects are not students, but that cannot be proven directly.

The police department has beefed up its patrol in as many ways as they can, but say that students also have to be aware of people around them. They advise that students keep their eyes and ears open, and to lock up personal belongings. Lukoshus said, "We are safe, but not invincible, so act accordingly." There are numerous phones positioned along campus and the police department urges students not to hesitate to call if they suspect someone suspicious is lurking around so they can check up on it.

Lukoshus relates this surge in theft to last year's car theft ring. PUC police reported nearly 10 cars stolen from the parking lots.

Following a lead, PUC police kept in touch with other departments from Champagne, Ill. to Texas and eventually brought closure to the incidents.

If you have noticed any suspicious people or activity on campus contact the PUC police department at ext. 2221 for non-emergencies and ext. 2911 for emergencies.

Career Corner

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Having a difficult time finding a job? Are you nervous about being unemployed after graduation? The Office of Career Development & Placement can help you with recruiting opportunities and resume forwarding.

How can I get on file with the Office of Career Development & Placement?

Must be a Purdue University student or alumnus. Submit a minimum of 25 copies of your resume with the Office of Career Development & Placement. Provide current, unofficial transcripts to the Office of Career Development & Placement.Read and sign the Recruiting and Resume Forwarding Agreement and Responsibilities form and return it to the Office of Career Development & Placement.

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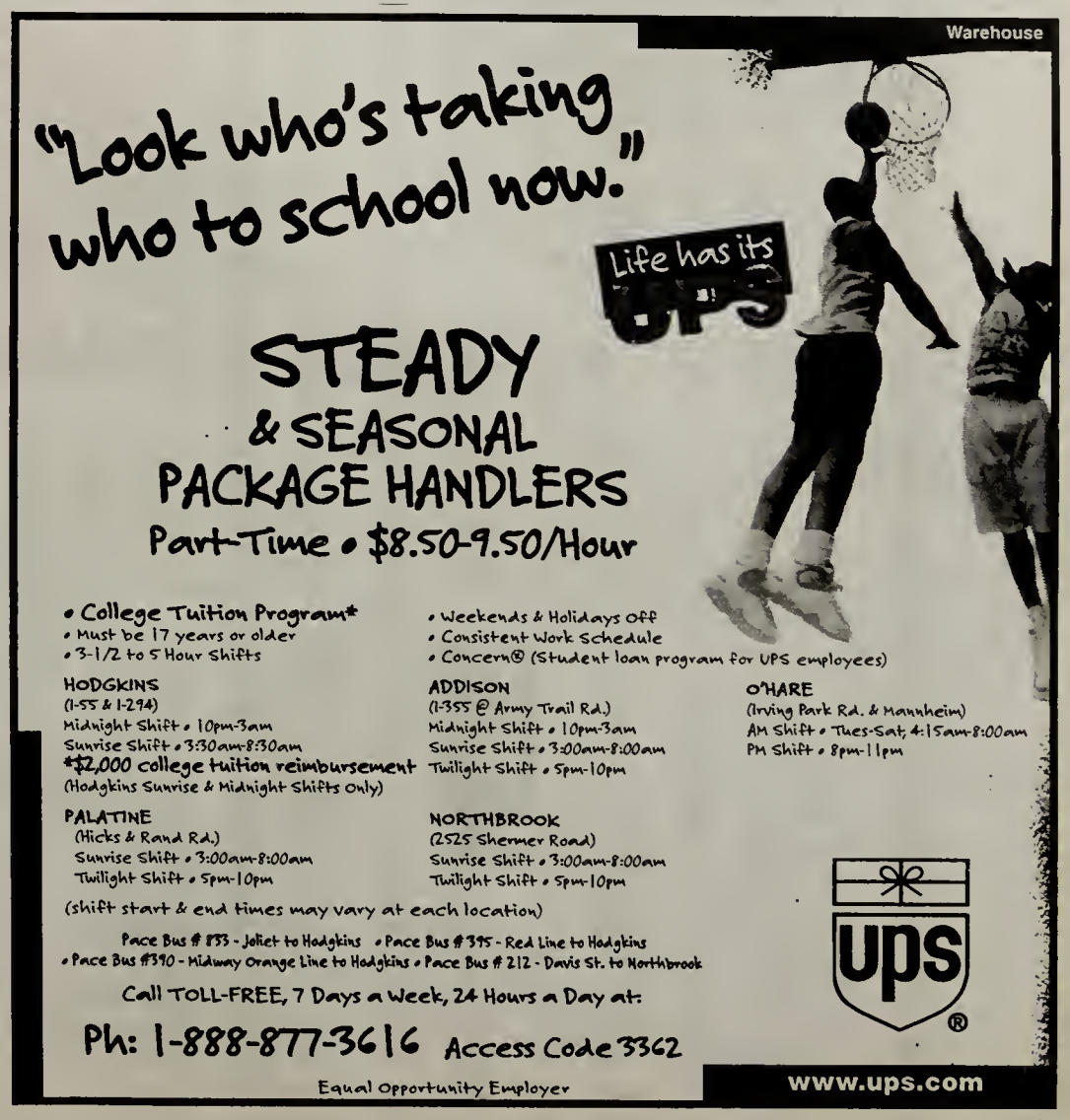
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'Siege' lacks logic

Film void of character development, flowing story

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Ever hear of the saying "Less is more?" Well,who ever made that saying sure knew what they were talking about. The movie "The Siege" went overboard in the bid to make this politically influenced movie interesting and thrilling. Even with the star cast, "The Siege" directed by Edward Zwick and starring Denzel Washington and Bruce Willis, is a big miss. The movie simply failed to get the audience's attention

The first main scene opens up with FBI/NYPD director, Anthony Hubbard (Washington) and his partner Frank Hadadd (Tony Shaloub) racing through traffic in response to a bomb threat on a local commuter bus. Immediately I'm thinking,"Oh okay another terrorist movie with the Arabs as the bad guys." Anyhow, the bomb threat turns out to be phony.

Instead of the commuter bus exploding as expected, the passengers come out of the pryed open bus doors stained in deep blue paint , confusing Hubbard and his elite team.

Back at the FBI headquarters, Hubbard and his team try to find out just why the terrorist had used the bomb scare to send their "release him" message which was in reference to their leader who had supposedly murdered a lot of people.

With nothing to work on Hubbard gets a lead on a woman who happens to know the inside scoop on the Arabs. Elise Kraft (Annette Benning) tries to tell Hubbard to back off a little on the terrorist but he readily discards her advice and shoves her off the case.

This movie's aim to provide excitement or awe in the system, by which the FBI gets crooks, I thought, was I a m e . In this scene Hubbard and his partner, Frank follow an Arab immigrant who is suspected to have some connections with the terrorists.

He is followed to a newspaper stand at a street corner and then another agent disguised as a regular early morning jogger wearing a headset, as in the movie "Mission Impossible" starring Tom Cruise. The agents take turns at different stations watching this guy until he senses that he is being followed and of course escapes. The scene ends with a corny joke by Hadadd saying something that went like "Hmm, that was a smooth move."

Denzel Washington stars as an FBI/NYPD director in his new film, "The Siege." Washington's acting, however, is not up to par in the film.

Movie	"The Siege"
Actor	Denzel Washington
Rating	5 of 10

In the minutes that followed, another bomb threat is called in. This time they think it is the real deal. Hubbard then takes the role of negotiator on the site of the impending bus explosion but only manages to let the terrorist release the kids on the bus. This gesture on their part almost leads us to believe that terrorists have some compassion, only for the next few minutes to end in an explosion that kills an elderly woman and some middle-aged men who are sprawled across the widows with sweaty palms. Hubbard is then tossed across the street from the impact of the explosion.

The movie had too many different scenes that didn't quite follow...poor acting and an underdeveloped script ruined the film.

Blood spews from his nose and ears in slow motion, but he quickly recovers. Now how believable is that? There I am thinking, wait a minute, isn't he supposed to suffer some sort of ear damage because he wasn't too far from the bus? But I guess whoever wrote the script overlooked the idea of making the movie believable, or the plot logical.

After the bus explosion, the terrorists bomb the FBI headquarters again killing about 600 agents and civilians. Gen. Devereau (Bruce Willis) is then asked to take over the case but he refuses on the note that the army was created for outside invasion and that invading New York would be wrong.

However, after an order from the higher arms of government to invade New York, he tums into a cold-blooded warrior who relishes the power laid on his "laps." Thousands of army troops march across the Brooklyn Bridge. He starts torturing people, even killing one in a bid to show the terrorist was is in power.

On one occasion almost a hundred army troops try to arrest one Arab.

I thought that was just too much gear to waste.

Devereau then begins to construct camps where Arab-Americans were to be kept. The army was instructed to go from house to house arresting all Arab men ranging from early teens to old age.

This reminded me of the Nazi camps in the movie "Schindlers List" and the Japanese camps that were set up in the United States during World War II. It was puzzling to see Devereau who at first was reluctant to infiltrate New York suddenly have such a thirst for revenge and blood under the disguise "I am Defending my country."

The movie had too many different scenes that didn't quite follow, such as Hubbard's quick recovery and Devereau's unbelievable change of heart. With Washington and Willis, one would think "The Siege" would have an excellent showcase of acting, but instead poor acting and an underdeveloped script ruined the film.

Rerelease sharpens picture, sound

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The Wizard of Oz was rereleased last weekend for one last trip down the "good old yellow brick road." It was magnificent. The color was sharper and brighter, and the sound was digitally mastered—louder and clearer, but aside from that, it was the same old classic everyone knows and loves.

The technology of the nineties really did a lot for this technicolor classic. A great remastering job into Dolby Digital Stereo Sound system made the Wizard more powerful, and the Wicked Witch much scarier. The digital remastering of the color made it feel as if you could fall asleep right beside Dorothy (Judy Garland) in the field of vividly colored red poppies.

Although I did enjoy it, I don't like the whole idea of new young hotshots at Time-Warner entertainment, making money off someone else's masterpiece.

Movie	"The Wizard of Oz"
Actor	Judy Garland
Rating	5 of 10

It doesn't take much creativity or originality for someone to decide, hey, lets release a movie that broke every box office record of it's time and see if it can make us some more cash.

The ninety's seems to be a decade of quick cash from old classics. Not too long ago, "Star Wars" was also rereleased along with "Grease", and now "Psycho" is being remade with a different cast, but the same exact story line.

However, there are many good points to be made for old films to be rereleased, such as the fact that our generation can also see movies that generations before us got to see on the big screen instead of just renting them.

It is a much more effective experience to see a movie in the theatre than on a couch because this way you can get the full effect of what is going on and your attention is focused fully on the movie. It is wonderful to see actors from long ago larger than life right in front of you.

I had never seen "The Wizard of Oz" on the silver screen before this weekend, and although I don't like putting money in other people's pockets, I really enjoyed the experience. It was a chance for me to see something that I will probably never see again.

I would strongly recommend taking children to see the film giant that the generations before us got to enjoy, even if it was a cheap way to make a couple million. "The Wizard of Oz" still has a way of bringing out the child in everyone, no matter how old.

Dorothy (Judy Garland) sings "Over the Rainbow" in this classic scene.

Sound Reasoning:

Beck, R.E.M. release new albums this month

COLLEGE PRESS EXCHANGE

"Mutations"
Beck
DGC
8 stars

DGC has taken some well-deserved flak for so emphatically maintaining that the low-key "Mutations" is more one-off experiment than the follow-up to "Odelay." (Consumer tip: If it's new, and it's got Beck's name on it, feel free to consider it the follow-up.) But Beck deserves a bit of the blame, given that he's chosen to end this disc with a "hidden" cut that might as well be an "Odelay" outtake, as if to reassure jittery fans he hasn't pawned off two turntables and a microphone.

That's a pity. It betrays a lack of faith in his flock on Beck's part. Also, because "Mutations" stands on its own understated merits.It's folk, yet that oversimplification misses the fact that Beck has moved his renowned genre to an acoustic setting.

Thus "Nobody's Fault But My Own" teeters between Far Eastern haze and sturdy country blues.

And "Cold Brains," which coincidentally opens with the same undulating synth waves heard on Liz Phair's "Polyester Bride," floats on spacey lounge pop before Beck unleashes a bit of Neil Young-inspired harp blowing.

Elsewhere, "Canceled Check" ambles along in the country-rock vein of Gram Parsons, "Tropicalia" indulges in trendy bossa nova, and "Dead Melodies" is an intricate and pretty waltz, of all things. Nothing on "Mutations" will hea t up your dance floor, but that's because Beck aspires to be more than our favorite party boy.

Beck's latest release, "Mutations," is worth looking into.

"Up"
R.E.M.
Warner Bros.
7 stars

If there ever were a band that could have used a little time out of the public eye, it's R.E.M. Their recent stylistic experiments have alienated legions of conservative fans, who now wistfully refer to "old R.E.M." as if it were another band altogether. Meanwhile, the hit singles have pretty much dried up and album sales have slumped. And then drummer Bill Berry called it quits.

A more cautious, media-savvy band would have lain low for a while, fine-tuning this new three-man band approach while simultaneously allowing some level of public anticipation to develop. So credit these old geezers with not only jumping headfirst into the abyss, but with creating a disc that's subtle, engrossing and surprisingly warm.

Despite Berry's absence, the most noticeable change in R.E.M.'s sound is the dominance of synths and keyboards over guitars — news that no doubt will further arouse the ire of stodgy old fans.

But the contemplative, stately pull of songs like "You're in the Air" and "Walk Unafraid" recalls nothing so much as the beloved "Murmur" disc.

Elsewhere, the power chords resurface to charge the chorus of "Sad Professor," a song that features singer Michael Stipe at his melancholy best, and "Daysleeper" echoes a sort of understated power of the band's earlier "Nightswimming."

"Up" actually does hit a few bum notes.

Michael Stipe offers his best Jewel impersonation on "Hope," babbling on portentously that religion is just allegory amid other fruitless stabs at profundity.

And the faux Beach Boys "doo doo doo" backup chorus on "At My Most Beautiful" easily marks the band's most grating, cheesy moment since "Shiny Happy People."

Still, at a time when the band is so often being taken for granted by both indie snobs and old fans alike, and as they soldier on without a drummer, R.E.M. has made a quiet album that argues persuasively for the band's continuing relevance.

Horoscopes

For the week of November 23

If You're Having a Birthday This Week ...

Born Nov. 23: Money is your theme. You make dreams come true, *partially through good luck, partially through education.*

Nov. 24: Yours is the sign of higher education. You're naturally talented, but sometimes lack the enthusiasm.

Nov. 25: You'll be delving into the past, making plans for the future.

Nov. 26: You're lucky in many ways. Something that looked impossible will seem easy.

Nov. 27: Home and family are the most important elements. You're creative, and you're changing how you see yourself.

Nov. 28: If you're into sports, run the marathon. If you're into love, take that exotic vacation together.

Nov. 29: You can plan on falling in love again. This could be a whole new way of seeing a relationship.

Nov. 30: A problem you've had for years will be resolved by a change in attitude, and by learning new skills.

Aries (March 21-April 19). Let an older person coach you on Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday will be more fun. Get to work Thursday and Friday. There's some sort of deadline. Saturday and Sunday should be exciting. Excellent for any sports-related adventure.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Your hopes and dreams are almost within reach on Monday. Let someone talk you into doing something. Tuesday and Wednesday, you have an opportunity to succeed in careers. Imagination required. Thursday and Friday, keep working. Saturday and Sunday, you're pressured. Get everything done.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Life is a challenge for a few weeks. Monday, go back instead of forward. Tuesday and Wednesday are better for new ventures. Thursday and Friday, changes pertain to your career. Go for a promotion. Saturday and Sunday are excellent for sports. Don't stay on the sidelines.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). You think you're the only one who does the job well. Allow help. Remember that Monday. Figure your budget Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday and Friday are travel days. Luck is good. Be respectful this weekend to a demanding person.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). You have to work on Monday, while you'd rather be playing. Focus on the job. Tuesday and Wednesday, confer with a partner. You'll perform brilliantly together. Thursday and Friday, be careful about spending. Saturday and Sunday are excellent for team sports or romance. Tony Santucci should have a party this weekend.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're lucky in love Monday, but you should do something else. Tuesday and Wednesday are difficult. Save your date for Thursday or Friday. Saturday and Sunday shop. It's a good day to shop for real estate, too.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Monday, fix up home. Tuesday and Wednesday, entertain company. A conversation could lead to a forever commitment. Thursday and Friday are work days, and jitters are predicted then, too. Let yourself get wild this weekend. If you're with the right partner, you won't get in any trouble.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Monday you learn through experience. Tuesday and Wednesday, you find a way to fix something broken at home. Thursday and Friday are best for romance. You have several prospective dates. Saturday and Sunday look more like work than play days.

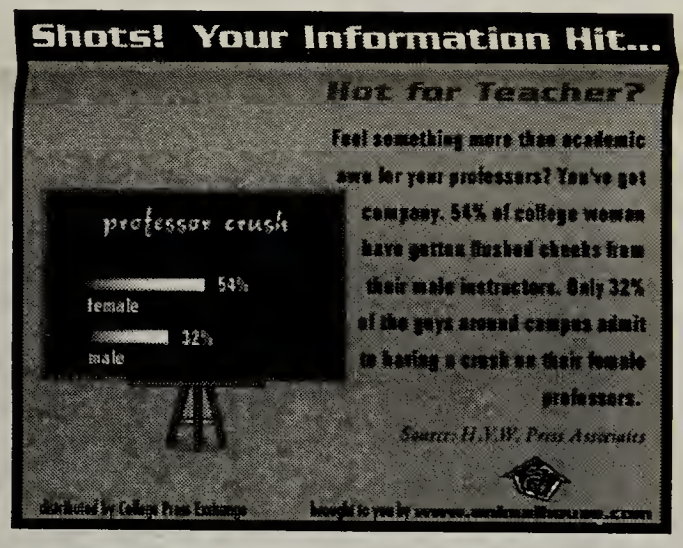
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your ability to communicate about things that have gone on in the past is excellent. That's most likely to occur on Monday, regarding money. Tuesday and Wednesday are good days for studying scientific data. Thursday and Friday are good for entertaining at home. Saturday and Sunday are best days for romance.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Monday you just the extra determination you need to tackle a challenge. On Tuesday and Wednesday, you'll be investigating financial matters. Thursday and Friday you'll be celebrating, but you'll also be learning. You'll be a wise teacher as well. Saturday and Sunday, have everyone to your house.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb 18). Problems emerge Monday. They need your immediate attention, so put other stuff on hold for a while. On Tuesday and Wednesday, you're especially creative. Those are good days for decisions. On Thursday and Friday, shop. Saturday and Sunday are good for catching up with your homework.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). Looks like you've got a challenging day. Friends give you constructive criticism. Tuesday and Wednesday, finish up old projects. Make decisions. Don't put them off. Thursday and Friday, you're called to action. Respond. A lucky Friday evening. Weekend is good for shopping.

Kissing up to the teacher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Feel something more than academic awe for your professors? You've got company. 54% of college women have gotten flushed cheeks from their male instructors. Only 32% of the guys around campus admit to having a crush on their female professors.
professor crush
female 54%
male 32%
Source: H.V.W. Press Associates

More than 50 percent of female students have been turned on by their college professors. Males, however, don't get crushes on their professors as often.

Lakers march over Saints in season opener

Three players score in double digits as team takes a 61-36 victory

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Sports Editor

The PUC Lady Lakers (1-0) had Aquinas College Saints (1-1) contained, and PUC made sure that the Saints got the message. The Lakers took a 61-36 victory from the Saints thanks to pressure defense.

The Lakers started with 14 points before the Saints got on the scoreboard, six minutes after the start of the game.

"We came out and did what we wanted on defense," said Coach Gary Hayes. "We took advantage of our scoring chances, we slipped a little on defense in the last minutes, but we got the win. We have to take everything one day at a time, one game at a time and one play at a time. We're improving from game to game."

Renee Boryla was in a zone that couldn't be contained. The junior scored 18 points, grabbed eight rebounds, and two assists for her first game as a starter.

Junior transfer Brea Gates scored 16 points, 10 of those points were in the second half. Senior Rita Harper contributed 12 points and three steals in her supporting role.

Sophomore Christina Chandler led the game with six steals, added three assists and four points. Junior Jennifer Cain grabbed a game high 10 rebounds, game high four assists and contributed three steals and three points.

The Lakers are now preparing for a big game against Central State. The Lakers will have a chance to take a victory away from a contender in Central State.The Lakers won last year against Central State by five.

"This game is going to tell us where we are as a team," replied Hayes. "Everybody is coming after us, they know that we're a team to be reckoned with. We have to play what we know, which is consistent defense and a balanced offense. We have to have our mind set for playing every team we face."

Coach Hayes prepares strategy

Photo by J.B. Lyles

Head Coach Gary Hayes addresses the Lady Lakers during a timeout in a game against the Eagles of Robert Morris College Wednesday, Nov. 18. The Lakers celebrated a 58-50 victory over the Eagles bringing their record to 2-0.

Lakers succumb to Trinity after strong first half start

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In a display that featured thundering tomahawk dunks and whirling dervish lay-ups of rarefied fashion, the visiting PUC Lakers elated all with a rousing clinic of pre-game acrobatics at The Fieldhouse of Trinity International University in Deerfield, Illinois on Tuesday evening. However, the awesome exhibition conducted during the pre-game warm-ups by high-flying Laker hoopsters was in hiatus after the tip-off and the ensuing 40 minutes of play.

The Lakers, though, played an intense game at both ends of the floor, and at times, displayed their pressure defense. A strong finish at the end of the first half saw the Lakers within five points to tighten the score to 39-34 at the midpoint, with much of the credit owed to their vaunted full-court press.

After the intermission, Trinity widened the gap and emerged with an 80-58 home victory, as the Lakers substituted freely in the second half. Senior captain Eric Culp paced the Lakers with 13 points, while sophomore Tom Cuozzo chipped in 11 in a reserve role.

Lakers 58
Saints 80

Newcomer guards Damon Evans and Charles Riley cleaned the glass for 10 and 6 rebounds respectively. A game that can best be captioned as an "experience builder" for the young Laker squad was highlighted by freshman reserve Trent Hart's driving, double-pump lay-up in the closing seconds.

Coach Liddle and the traveling Lakers (1-3) are in the midst of a six-game road trip that continues on to the bluegrass state of Kentucky, where they will encounter defending Division II National Champion Kentucky Wesleyan. The squad also travels on to Winona Lake, Indiana on Tuesday, November 24th when they face host Grace College.

Check it Out

A look at the next two weeks of PUC sports

Tuesday, Nov. 24
Men's Basketball
@ Grace LANCERS GT: 7:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball
Vs. Grace LANCERS GT: 7 p.m.

Friday & Saturday, Nov. 27-28
Women's Basketball @ Aquinas College
"Grand Rapids Press Tourney"

Saturday, Nov. 28
Men's Basketball
@ Tri-State THUNDER GT: 3 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 1
Home Basketball Doubleheader
PUC Lakers vs. Bethel PILOTS
Women's GT: 5 p.m.
Men's GT: 7:30 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, Dec. 4-5
Weekend Tourney's
Men's Basketball @ Hanover College Tourney
Women's Basketball @ Trinity International Tourney

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Fast Break

A brief look at PUC sports

LADY LAKERS SOAR PAST LADY EAGLES

The Lady Lakers (2-0) escaped from the Robert Morris College Eagles (0-2) with a 58-50 victory Wednesday, Nov. 18. Renee Boryla led all scores with 20 points, Brea Gates contributed 14, Rita Harper with 10, Jennifer Cain with eight, and Christina Chandler with five.

Head coach Gary Hayes said that (The Lakers) could have held (RMC) to 30 or 40 points if we could have boxed out on the boards.

The Lady Lakers next challenge will be coming up this holiday weekend when they travel to Aquinas College in Michigan for the Grand Rapids Press Tournament.

TIGERS MANHANDLE LAKERS

The Lakers (1-2) had problems controlling the defending NAIA Champions on the road. Georgetown (KY) Tigers (4-0) beat the Lakers into submission 115-77.

The Tigers out rebounded the Lakers 52-34. Jamie Laster led the Lakers with 16 points, while Bob Delano and Eric Culp each contributed 10 points. Travis Schmidt led the team on rebounds with eight.

The Lakers road trip rolls on to Grace College Tuesday, Nov. 24 and Tri-State University Saturday, Nov. 28.

HOOGEWERF NAMED ALL CONFERENCE

Ann Marie Hoogewerf, a sophomore middle hitter for the Lady Lakers volleyball team, was named to the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference 1998 All-Conference Volleyball Team. Hoogewerf, a graduate of Illiana Christian High School, was also named to the Athletic Directors Honor Roll for the fall semester. This is Hoogewerf's second year playing for the Purdue Calumet Lady Lakers.

BASKETBALL TEAMS WILL FACE GRACE

The men's and women's basketball teams will be playing against Grace College on Tuesday, Oct. 24. The Lakers will travel to Warsaw, Ind. to play the Lancers, while the Lady Lancers come to the PER building to face off against the Lady Lakers. Game time for Lady Lakers will be 7 p.m., while the Men will tip off at 7:30 p.m.

FITNESS CENTER CLOSES FOR THANKSGIVING

The Total Fitness Center will be closed Thursday, Nov. 26 due to Thanksgiving holiday. The TFC will return to normal business hours Friday, Nov. 27.

-compiled by J.B. Lyles